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Registrars' conference: 17-18 March, Pembroke College, Oxford

The Faculty is delighted to be holding our inaugural Registrars' Conference on 17-18 March 2015, a two-day event to explore educational and career opportunities for trainee occupational physicians.

Taking place at Pembroke College in Oxford, the conference will feature a comprehensive programme of talks on topics of interest to the Faculty's trainees, covering areas including fitness for work, occupational health around the globe, career options following the MFOM, and the challenges facing this generation of occupational physicians.

You can book online via the website or by completing the booking form and returning it, along with payment, to the Faculty.

At this stage registration is only open to registrars; if there are spaces remaining, priority will be given to recently qualified specialists in occupational medicine.

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Vacancy for StR/SpR representative on the Board

Dr Rae-Wen Chang has indicated her intention to step down from this role, which she has held since August 2012, after the Registrars' conference in March. She is happy to discuss the role, in confidence, with any trainee who might be interested in standing for election. Anyone interested can get in touch with Rae-Wen through the Faculty office.

If you have at least 18 months to go before your anticipated CCT date, then please do think of putting your name forward and involving yourself in the running of the Faculty. If you are intending to stand, you might like to pencil in your diary the dates of the Board meetings this year: 15 April, 8 July and 13-14 October.

The role of Deputy to the StR Board representative, which is an appointed rather than elected role, will be falling vacant in the near future also.

Please read the further information for more details of the role and how to apply.

Deadline for receipt of nominations: 10 00 am on Wednesday 18 February 2015 back to top

Dr Steve Boorman appointed as Chair of Ethics Committee

We are pleased to announce, on behalf of the Board, that Dr Steve Boorman has been appointed as the new Chair of the Ethics Committee for an initial period of three years.

We would like to thank his predecessor Dr Bob Jefferson for his work on the Ethics Committee, not only as Chair, but also as a member over the last ten years.

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Vacancy for Chief Examiner HAVS

The Faculty is seeking to appoint a Chief Examiner for HAVS to manage the centralised assessment system.

The Chief Examiner will be supported by a Deputy Chief Examiner. The workload will be shared and agreed between the Chief Examiner and Deputy upon appointment.

For more information about the role, please read the job description. Applications should be submitted to Siobhan Wheeler on the application form.

Deadline for applications: 9 00 am on Monday 9 February 2015

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Revalidation update from the Responsible Officer

The January 2015 Revalidation update contains more helpful information and resources for those revalidating through the Faculty.

Feedback is always helpful and if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Revalidation Manager Alannah Harrison. Alternatively you can contact the RO Dr David Flower directly by emailing to RO@fom.ac.uk.

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HHP core competency training days 2015

Our Health for Health Professionals training programme continues to grow year on year. We are proud to offer one of the most comprehensive training programmes available in this emerging area of practice.

Nearly two hundred FOM members have now attended our Health for Health

Professionals training programme since it began in 2010. The core competency training days for 2015 are now scheduled to take place on:

Wednesday 11 March - Birmingham (venue TBC)

Wednesday 13 May - FOM office, London

Wednesday 16 September - FOM office, London

Wednesday 14 October - FOM office, London

Booking for all of these days is now open, via the website.

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Health and Wellbeing @ Work conference 2015

The Health and Wellbeing @ Work conference is taking place on 3-4 March 2015 at the National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham.

We are pleased to be supporting the conference once again and will have a joint exhibition stand with the Society of Occupational Medicine. We always value the opportunity to engage with members so do remember to visit us if you're attending.

In addition, several members are giving presentations during the conference, notably Richard Heron, President; Steve Boorman, Chair of the Ethics Committee; and Lucy Wright, Deputy Chief Examiner DOccMed.

For more information and details of how to register, visit the conference website.

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With best wishes

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